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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Compounds having kappa opioid agonist activity, compositions containing them and method of using them as analgesics are provided.

The compounds of formulae I, II, IIA, III, IIIA, IIIB, IIB-i, IV and IVA have the structure:

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$$X_7$$
 Ar Ar NMe R_1 R_2

$$X_7$$
 O Ar Ar NMe R_1 R_2 R_2

$$N_{\text{NMe}}$$
 N_{NMe}
 $N_{\text{R}_{1}}$
 $N_{\text{R}_{2}}$
 $N_{\text{R}_{2}}$
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(IIIB-i)

$$R_4$$
 R_3 R_1 R_2 R_3 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_4 R_4 R_5 R_5

$$R_{4} \xrightarrow{N} R_{1} \qquad (IVA)$$

$$R_{2} \xrightarrow{N} R_{2}$$

wherein

 R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 ; and

X, X4, X5, X7, X9;

Y, Z and n are as described in the specification.